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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method of searching for media objects <u>comprising</u>:

<u>receiving a search request (SA)</u>, <u>said search request comprises at least one representation-describing feature (d1) distinct from content-describing features;</u>

comparing at least one feature (i1, d1, d11, d12) of the search request with at least one feature of selectable media objects to establish degrees of correspondence (UG) between the search request (SA) and the selectable media objects; and

organizing and presenting a search result based on the degrees of correspondence (UG). in which, in order to establish degrees of correspondence (UG) between a search request (SA) and selectable media objects, at least one feature (i1, d1, d11, d12) of the search request (SA) is compared with at least one feature of the selectable media objects, in which the search request comprises at least one representation describing feature (d1) and in which a search result based on the degrees of correspondence (UG) is organized.

- 2. (Currently amended) A—The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the search result is sorted on the basis of the degrees of correspondence (UG).
- 3. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that, in order to establish the degrees of correspondence, at least one representation-describing feature (d1) is resolved into representation-describing detailed features (d11, d12).
- 4. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that at least one representation-describing feature (d1) of the search request is extracted from a user input.
- 5. (Currently amended) A-The method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that, with the use of an acoustic inputting device, at least one representation-describing feature (d1) of the search request is extracted from the user input by means of voice analysis.
- 6. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that at least one representation-describing feature (d1) is explicitly described by the user input.

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- 7. (Currently amended) A-The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that representation-describing features (d1) are extracted from at least some of the selectable media objects.
- 8. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that at least some of the selectable media objects are stored, with associated representation-describing features (d1) in a memory facility (SPE1, SPE2, . . . SPEm).
- 9. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the search request (SA) comprises at least one content-describing feature (i1, i2).
- 10. (Currently amended) A The method as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that initially, in order to determine degrees of correspondence for selection (AUG) between a search request (SA) and the available media objects (MO1, MO2 . . . MOn), at least one content-describing feature (i1, i2) of the search request (SA) is compared with at least one feature of the available media objects (MO1, MO2, . . . MOn), and that the selectable media objects are selected from the available media objects as a function of the degrees of correspondence for selection (AUG).
 - 11. (Currently amended) A system (SS) of searching for media objects, with comprising: a media interface (MS) for access to selectable media objects[[,]];
 - a request interface (AS) for receiving a search request from a user[[,]];
- a comparison device (VE) set up in such a way that, in order to determine degrees of correspondence (UG) between the search request (SA) and selectable media objects, at least one feature of the search request is compared with at least one feature of the selectable media objects[[,]] wherein the search request (SA) comprises at least one representation-describing feature[[,]] distinct from content-describing features; and

an organizational device (OE) set up in such a way that a search result based on the degrees of correspondence is organized and presented.

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12. (Currently amended) A-<u>The</u> system (SS) as claimed in claim 11 with-further comprising an inputting device (EE) for converting a user input into a search request comprising at least one representation-describing feature.